

May 2025

Saturday, May 3rd

Art & Adventures with Dan Santat via Zoom at 2 pm -

Saturday, May 3rd at 2 pm on Zoom or there will be an in-person viewing of the stream at the Jacksonville Public Library. To register for Zoom at home, please contact the Jacksonville Public Library at 217-243-5435.

Wednesday, May 7th

Adult Craft Night: Pressed Flower Lanterns at 6 pm -

Join us Wednesday, May 7th at 6 pm for a fun night of crafting just for adults! In May we will be making pressed flower lanterns. We hope you stop by! Registration is limited, please call 217-243-5435 or email Ali at ajones@jaxpl.org to register.

Friday, May 9th

Lego Club from 2:30 - 5 pm -

Calling all builders! This month's Lego Club meeting is coming up! Join us at the library on May 9th to show off your Lego skills. Stop in anytime between 2:30 and 5:00 pm. May's challenge is to build an insect!

Saturday, May 10th

Encore Craft Class: Pressed Flower Lanterns at 2 pm -

Missed Wednesday's craft? Join us on Saturday, May 10th at 2 pm for our encore craft class! Registration is limited, please call 217-243-5435 or email Ali at ajones@jaxpl.org to register. This encore craft day is for anyone ages 12 and up - children must be accompanied by an adult.

Tuesday, May 13th

Poverty: A Discussion with Matthew Desmond (Zoom Event) at 7 pm -

Tuesday, May 13 at 7 pm on Zoom or there will be an in-person viewing of the stream at the Jacksonville Public Library. To register for Zoom at home, please contact the Jacksonville Public Library at 217-243-5435.

Wednesday, May 14th

Adult Book Club: "The Salmon Bears" at 6 pm -

The Jacksonville Public Library Page Turners will be discussing "The Salmon Bears" at this month's Adult Book Club meeting on Wednesday, May 14th at 6 pm - please join us for a fun evening of great conversation! All are welcome!

Saturday, May 17th

Author Event: Jade Rockwood at 2 pm -

Stay tuned for more details!

Tuesday, May 20th

Teen Craft Night: Candy Sushi at 6 pm -

Stop by on Tuesday, May 20th at 6 pm for the next teen craft night! In May, we're making candy sushi! For grades 6 - 12. All materials provided. No registration required.

Wednesday, May 21st

Historic Voices: Irene Adler with Laura Keyes via Zoom at 6 pm -

Irene Adler: Opera Prima Donna, Adventuress, Actress. To Sherlock Holmes, she is always simply "The Woman." Meet the only woman who outsmarted the world's greatest detective, and discover why she had such a profound impact on his life and career. Hear the famous tale of their meeting from her own lips. Laura Keyes will be delighting audiences with her Zoom presentation on Wednesday, May 21st at 6pm in the Jacksonville Public Library.

The Jacksonville Public Library will be closed on Monday, May 26th for Memorial Day.

Wednesday, May 28th

Movie Night: Wicked at 6 pm -

Stop in at the library on Wednesday, May 28th at 6 pm for a showing of Wicked! Popcorn and drinks will be provided! We hope to see you there! Rated PG for some scary action, thematic material and brief suggestive material.

Saturday, May 31st

Sensory Sensitive Storytime at 10 am -

This month on Saturday, May 31st at 10 am, the Jacksonville Public Library is offering a monthly storytime program that caters to children who might enjoy a more relaxed and slower-paced storytime. This program is designed specifically for neurodiverse children or those with sensory processing challenges, but all families are welcome to attend. This program is best suited for ages 3-7.

D&D Club from 4 - 6 pm

Well met, traveler! The Jacksonville Public Library is looking for brave adventurers to join our party!

Group 1 meets: May 2nd

Group 2 meets: May 16th

Our current session of D&D Club is full! Check our social media for updates or email Blaine at blainecoultas@gmail.com with questions regarding future sessions.

Teen Advisory Board - Join TAB to help us make the library a better place for teens! In May we will meet on the 1st and 29th! Please email Courtney at clangdon@jaxpl.org or Brittany at boverby@jaxpl.org with questions!

Mindful Movement - Grab a towel and join Jeannie Hemphill for a mindful movement class. Learn the basics of mindful movement with an introduction to balance, finger/wrist exercises, shoulder rolls and more. As long as there's enough interest, this class will continue so don't hesitate to stop by! This month classes will be held on May 5th and 19th from 4:30 - 5:30 pm in the meeting room.

Storytime - Join us for stories and a craft every Wednesday morning at 10 AM and every Wednesday afternoon at 3PM unless otherwise posted! There will be no Storytime on May 28th.

Baby Storytime - Join us at the library every Friday at 10 AM for Baby Storytime! This program, for caregivers and babies 0-24 months, is designed to encourage baby's early literacy skills through stories, songs, rhymes, and movement. There will be no Baby Storytime on May 30th.